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REMARKS

Claims 34-40 remain in this application. Claims 1-33 have been canceled. Claims 34-40 are newly added.

Claims 1-33 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as unpatentable over Koo et al (6,704,785). Koo et al describes a number of aspects of event driven communication, focusing particularly on the formation of composite channels.

A principal aspect of the present invention is the creation of a telecommunications management software component, the event publishing service, separate from the element manager source of events and from the event consumers, with the service incorporating the whole event transport architecture, so that information implementing the architecture does not need to be shared with the event source or consumers. This enables the improvements represented by the Objectives listed beginning on page 11 of the present application. Among other advantages, changes to the architecture generally do not require changes at the event source or consumers. New claims 34 – 40 recite steps of the present event publishing service method associated with this aspect of the invention, which are submitted not to be shown or suggested by the Koo reference. Accordingly, it is believed that the new claims 34-40 are patentable over Koo et al.

Applicant wishes to bring to the attention of the Examiner that Applicant has pending a second application 09/952,779 covering related subject matter.

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For the above reasons, the foregoing amendment is believed to place the Application in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, please contact V. Lawrence Sewell at (972) 519-3735.

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